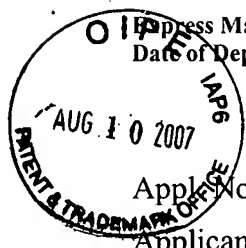


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 (16 pages);
2. Copy of Substitute Specification (17 pages);
3. Copy of Stamped Return Receipt Postcard indicating receipt of a full specification by PCT Receiving Office (2 pages);
4. Copy of Express Mail Label No. ER 634000332 US used to mail present application to the PCT Receiving Office (1 page);
5. REPLACEMENT SHEETS for Figures 1 and 2 (2 sheets);
6. ANNOTATED SHEETS for Figures 1 and 2 (2 sheets);
7. Petition for One-Month Extension of time; (1 pg.);
8. Check for \$60.00, Check No. 3961; and
9. a Return Postcard.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 26786-520 NATL, Customer No. 35437. A duplicate is enclosed.

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